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In re Application of  
M. Ibrahim Sezan, et al.  
Application No. 09/280,421  
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Attorney Docket No. KLR:7146.028

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed on June 29, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed December 23, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three(3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on March 24, 2004.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Since the \$950.00 extension of time submitted with the petition on June 29, 2004 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, the extension of time filed with the instant petition is unnecessary and the fee will be credited to petitioner's deposit account.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in accordance with MPEP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

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The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2600, Art Unit 2611.

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